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INVENTION: A METHOD FOR DETERMINING A NETWORK ACCESS  
ADDRESS

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Please amend the above-identified International Application before entry  
into the National stage before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C.  
§371 as follows:

**In The Specification:**

On page 1, cancel lines 1-3 and substitute the following therefor:

**--SPECIFICATION****TITLE****A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PAYING FOR GOODS OR SERVICES****BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION****Field of the Invention**

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The present invention relates to a method for determining a network  
access address for transmitting messages from a switching system to a  
communication terminal which is connected to the switching system via a  
communication network.--